

Underhill Alternative Transportation Committee  
Minutes of Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017, 6:30, Town Hall

Present: Kurt Johnson, Mike Oman, Cat Kearns. Ann Linde and Sue Cromwell

Reviewed minutes from last meeting.

Minutes from last meeting approved.

Sue asked for a review of what we've done so far and for clarification of our mission and process. Kurt explained how we had formed and what our mission is. Our first goal was to get something in place in time to catch the next budget session in case we needed to ask for any money. Our original thoughts have changed due to the help we will be receiving from CATMA. (They have offered support in the way of administering a survey and sharing of knowledge and systems they already have in place regarding ride sharing programs.)

In discussing our mission, we talked about a further reaching outcome of our work which is community building, something we all agree is an important piece. We talked about having some sort of mixer that would allow people who want to car pool (riders and drivers) to meet and get people involved and aware of this committee. Possibly tack it on to the Historical Society's Brewer's Fest. Sue brought up the need for services for the elderly, homebound or disabled. Mike added that he would like to see us offer an educational component to the public.

Mike reported on his latest discussions with CATMA. As mentioned above, they have offered to provide and administer a survey for us to get feedback from Underhill residents about what they would like to see for alternative transportation. CATMA was originally UVM based (Campus Area Transit), but now serves the greater Burlington area and they want to expand to include more towns. (There is a membership fee.) He explained what CATMA does now: They support a variety of transportation programs in Chittenden County. This includes car share, ride share, bike share, van and car pools, ride matching (Zimride), pass programs for busses and resources that support all of the above. (They might help us with using pass program by fronting us the passes so we can sell them.) They are encouraging the town of Underhill to join their ETC (Employee Transportation Coordinator Network) program. ETC is a program designed by CATMA to provide training and support to businesses and organizations trying to provide alternative means of transportation for people in their organizations. Mike will be attending an ETC meeting on November 30<sup>th</sup>.

CATMA has offered to have a rep meet with us. Mike will try to coordinate that. We would like to invite the public to that meeting. Sue suggested we get a copy of their survey before that meeting so we can take a look at it and tweak it if necessary.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45.

Date of next meeting to be determined

Respectfully submitted by

Ann Linde, Scribe